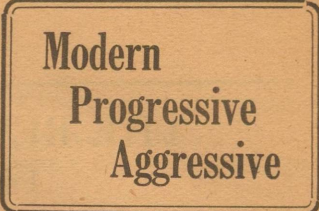


The Benjamin Post



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Splinters

A merry heart doeth good like a medicine.—Prov.

A rain maker sailing around in the clouds set his plane on fire. No, the rain didn't put it out.

The question of where the different county officials would office when, as, and if the new courthouse is built came up the other day. The folks in Benjamin are a neighborly sort and would be glad to share offices with the officers. We would be glad to have the keeper of the county pocket book office with us.

And it is rumored, though those in charge of affairs failed to confirm it when questioned by us, that work is progressing nicely with the Federal government showing a great deal of cooperation in the matter of building a new edifice to house custodians of county affairs. We shall gladly give definite reports from time to time as we are able to secure them.

A total of \$12,876 has been paid the cattlemen of the county to date in the cattle reduction plan. Figures are not immediately available to show the number of cattle that have been bought, the number that have been shipped nor the number that have been sold.

School starts Monday and Benjamin is anticipating a very successful school year. The faculty is composed of ambitious, young, and energetic school masters and school maams, the students are aglow with the zeal and zest of a thirst for knowledge plainly written in their countenances, the parents and guardians are now ready to take their vacation, and so the call to books comes at an opportune time. Who knows what genius may flower forth from the local educational institution?

The Dallas News says that the old lean-ta that characterized pioneer America has given away to the pioneer.

Archie Parr, the Duke of Duval, was beaten in his campaign for reelection. Survivor in hard fought campaigns for the past twenty years, Senator Parr was the victim of a growing population in the south part of the state and the new comers were hard to ride herd on. This year they outgrew him. While some of the Duke's vote getting methods were frowned upon, especially by his opponents, they were, to say the least, effective. It is with keen regret that many of his friends from all over the state see the dean of the senate unhorsed.

There seems to a concerted effort to repeal the horse racing law in Texas but in our opinion if this same energy was used to try to enforce the fundamental laws of behavior, Texas would be much more of a law abiding place than it is now. But the same reasoning used to discredit the horse racing law, we should repeal our laws against murder, robbery, stealing, and thievery because they do not work perfectly.

The price of hogs has gone soaring; other prices are on the upgrade. All that is the matter with this country is fright. When we get over our fright, business will boom again. This is but one of the steps in the business cycle. Past history of economics will bear this statement out. We say that the howl of the big, bad wolf is getting weaker.

West Texas Firemen Will Meet In Seymour Tuesday

The West Texas Firemen's Association will meet at Seymour next Tuesday for their semi-annual convention and at a called meeting of the local fire department Thursday night plans were made to attend. The plans also call for an entry in the hose races and one in the water polo.

Benjamin has an active department and has won the majority of the contests in the past at these conventions. The local boys hope to repeat at the coming meet.

Mr. Claude E. Anderson of Vandalia, Illinois is visiting in the home of Mr. and Mrs. Fred Crenshaw.

Mr. and Mrs. Wallace Fleming and children have returned to their home in McCamey after a visit in the home of Mr. and Mrs. W. J. Bradshaw. Mr. Fleming is a nephew of Mr. Bradshaw. He is employed by the Humbel Pipe Line Company.

Vernon Brewer of Littlefield was a visitor in Benjamin last week end.

Misses Lucille Stephens and Helen Bisbee and Mrs. James L. Lott were visitors in Crowell and Chillicothe Thursday.

McCraw Vacations After Successful Campaign Ends

Dallas, August 28.—Weary from the strain of a campaign which veteran political observers regard as the most spectacular in this state's hectic history, William McCraw, winning candidate for the nomination of attorney general had left Dallas for an unknown destination today to rest up from his strenuous efforts.

McCraw's victory at the polls was assured by Saturday night's election returns, additional reports Sunday and Monday serving merely to increase his large lead over his opponent, State Senator Walter Woodward of Coleman.

The next attorney general had little to say about his plans for his administration in the office which he will take over from Attorney General James V. Allred when the latter becomes governor on Jan. 1, 1935.

"I am grateful," McCraw said in a formal statement issued to the press "to my fellow Texans for their expression of confidence and trust. I am looking forward to an administration that will hold and deserve the continued confidence of my people.

"Without enemies to punish and with only the citizenship to repay with energetic and efficient service, I anticipate a term of real accomplishment in the high office with which the democrats of this state have honored me."

McCraw's victory is of special significance to Dallas, inasmuch he will be the first Dallas attorney general since the days of the late Charles Culberson who came here from Jefferson in 1880 and was elected to that office in 1892, forty two years ago. Culberson later became governor, being the only man from this city ever to hold that office.

Harmonious relations between the governor's mansion and the attorney general's office were forecast by political leaders who recalled the long-standing personal friendship between Allred and McCraw. While in Dallas two years ago, Mr. Allred was the guest at a barbecue at the McCraw country home on the northwest high-Allred appointed McCraw's brother, way. When elected attorney general, John McCraw an assistant.

Ball Season Ends With Baptists Taking First

The soft ball season has ended with the Baptist Deacons in first place, the Methodist Stewards second and the Christian Elders trailing. The last games of the season were characterized by a much better grade of ball than at first exhibited and all games were won by close margins. The heavy hitting of the Baptist brethren is considered a factor in their success.

There is a concerted effort on the part of the ball players to carry the competition over to basket ball, playing under the same eligibility rules that were used in soft ball.

All three teams have some very good basket ball material and it is hoped that some keen competition may develop in this field.

STATE FAIR WILL HAVE 16-DAY STOCK SHOW

Dallas, August 30.—A full showing of livestock for 16 days at the 1934 State Fair of Texas, October 8-21, has been planned and the best herds of beef and dairy animals will be on exhibit as a master demonstration of the stability of Texas agriculture even under the most adverse conditions and as a forecast of her rich future, it has been announced by A. L. Ward, general superintendent of the Livestock Department.

"Many fine cattle have been permitted to kill or sold," Mr. Ward said, "but the best of our herds have been well cared for and at the State Fair this year, the people of Texas will see not only the choice breeding stock of beef and dairy herds but they will have an opportunity of meeting the owners and exhibitors of livestock who have the hardihood and courage to meet emergencies and who have the resourcefulness and the vision to use difficulties and obstacles as building stones."

Mr. Ward announced that more than \$25,000 would be awarded the prize winners in classes of livestock on exhibit here this year and also that prize money in horse classes had been increased.

WITH GUNS IN SACKS, DISGUISED OFFICERS TAKE TWO FUGITIVES

Fort Worth, Aug. 30.—Two smart Fort Worth detectives who played an important part in the capture of the Machine Gun Kelly gang dressed up like hoboes Tuesday, wandered down the Trinity River bottoms and there arrested two men who escaped Saturday from the Archer City jail.

The detectives, Ed Weatherford and J. H. Johnson, received a tip Monday to be on their toes for another message where the two fugitives might be picked up. The second tip came early Tuesday morning.

Dressed as bums and carrying their machine guns in sacks, the detectives drove to a bridge across the Trinity and then wandered up the stream bed. They soon sighted the suspects, who waved to them. When they got close enough the two officers took out their artillery and trained it on the jail-breakers.

"We thought you were a couple of bums," said one of the arrested men on the trip to the city jail.

Representative George Moffett has asked that anyone wishing an appointment as notary public, write either him or Senator Ben G. Oneal during this session of the Legislature.

J. B. and Bruce Duval returned to Abilene after a few days visit with relatives here.

Relief Roll Clients May Harvest Crop Of Prickly Pears

Austin, August 27.—The wide cactus-covered expanses known to the Southwest Texas ranchman as pear flats may be invaded this winter by relief roll clients seeking sustenance for drought stricken livestock.

The prickly pear, rid of its small sharp stickers, is a choice bit of vegetation upon which ranchmen have been known to fatten their herds during the winter for many years.

Relief commission officials are considering a plan whereby an army of relief roll clients will go into the flats with year burning machines, singe the stickers from the plants, and make the pears safe for consumption by the hungry herds.

Meanwhile, officials are seeking thousands of acres of pasturage for cattle in acute need, most of them in the extreme western part of the state. Federal Surplus Relief corporation has urged that up to 200,000 head of cattle be pastured but it is doubtful that sufficient acreage for that number can be found in the state, according to C. Z. Crain, head of the surplus commodities department, in charge of the cattle program.

Pledge
I will think—talk—write . . . Texas Centennial in 1936! This is to be my celebration. In its achievement I may give free play to my patriotic love for Texas' heroic past; my confidence in its glories that are to be . . .

Skies Cloudy Past Week But No Rain Here Yet

The weather the past week has been cloudy and cooler and although parts of the county report good rains only light showers have fallen in Benjamin and surrounding territory. The Truscott and Gilliland country report good rains and Vera also got some pretty good showers. The weather continues favorable however and hopes are high that this section will be visited by good rains before the spell is broken.

Benjamin siffball Allstars won a doubleheader at Truscott Thursday. The scores were 12-10 and 10-2.

The Baptist meeting now in progress is being well attended and much interest created. Rev. Stovall of the Knox City church is conducting the services both morning and evening.

Lee Coffman of Goree was a week end visitor in Benjamin.

Clarence Rutledge of Blue Ridge was here today for a short visit with friends.

Nominated By Democrats

Unofficial returns from last Saturday's primary show that the following will be our officers for the next two years: James V. Allred, Governor; Walter Woodul, Lieut. Governor; William McCraw, Attorney General; W. D. McFarlane, Congressman; eBn G. Oneal, State Senator; E. L. Covey, County Judge, E. B. Sams, Tax Assessor-Collector; J. Lyndal Hughes, County Superintendent.

Voting was heavy over the county and the Benjamin box fell only a few short of the record set in the first primary. Owing to the comparatively short ballot, returns were made a very short time after the polls closed.

A tabulated count of the votes by boxes for the county is given below.

How They Ran In Knox County By Boxes

Candidate	1	2	3	4	5	6	6a	7	8	9	10	11	Total
For Governor:													
Hunter	200	100	91	74	126	108	127	70	61	256	27	8	1248
Allred	158	66	55	197	168	219	241	107	143	324	110	13	1801
For Lieutenant Governor:													
Woodul	198	78	80	90	98	137	151	105	86	284	52	3	1362
Moore	137	71	43	120	154	155	183	67	95	245	63	16	1349
For Attorney General:													
Woodward	173	67	69	88	96	122	143	89	68	157	54	6	1132
McCraw	163	80	54	126	165	183	196	80	115	379	63	12	1616
For State Railroad Commissioner:													
Pundt	126	55	60	68	80	96	129	66	61	223	45	3	1012
Smith	199	87	60	133	164	192	201	102	114	295	65	14	1626
For Associate Justice of Supreme Court:													
Sharp	141	49	62	77	103	138	183	95	93	245	49	12	1247
Latimore	179	99	60	124	132	150	142	71	82	270	62	6	1377
For Representative, 13th Congressional District:													
Spence	179	89	56	126	155	119	155	76	73	242	48	10	1328
McFarlane	160	69	76	111	117	192	198	99	114	300	80	10	1526
For Senator, 23rd Senatorial District:													
Oneal	137	61	66	114	196	228	250	88	108	324	71	10	1653
Lofin	202	98	67	116	70	83	98	89	80	220	53	7	1183
For County Judge:													
Covey	90	78	63	112	253	228	244	35	59	345	100	12	1599
Melton	274	89	82	158	45	95	117	143	139	237	41	10	1430
For Tax Assessor-Collector:													
Sams	284	141	119	176	80	53	91	151	65	364	74	18	1616
Haynes	79	26	29	94	213	279	277	27	137	224	67	2	21454
For County Superintendent:													
Branton	167	66	70	86	133	129	130	81	58	428	91	17	1456
Hughes	194	103	79	187	156	199	236	94	144	155	47	5	1599
For Commissioner, Precinct No. 1:													
Davis									58	270			328
Griffith										135	311		446
For Commissioner, Precinct No. 4:													
Osborne													580
Jones													698

Benjamin 1, Truscott 2, Gilliland 3, Vera 4, Goree 5, S. Munday 6, N. Munday 6a, Rhineland 7, James Partridge 8, Knox City 9, Hefner 10, Brock 11.

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Sunday School Softball

This week marks the end of the inter-sunday school
softball season. To say that the inauguration of this sport in
Benjamin has been a success is putting it mildly.

Normally the attendance at sunday school during the
hot summer months approaches zero. Not so since softball
got religion. Three churches report that not only has at-
tendance surpassed that of the winter months but probably
set an all time record.

The explanation? Simple. Only those attending sun-
day school are eligible to play in the scheduled games during
the week. As the season grew older, the interest grew strong-
er and the competition intense. All likely looking material
was conscripted by one of the three sunday schools. Better
games resulted. At time the attendance at the games number-
ed from three to four hundred. When you consider that the
1930 census gives Benjamin a population of 485 you may see
that most of the population was on hand to see the game.

But the only interest has not been in softball. Natu-
rally when one goes to sunday school every Sunday he will ac-
quire an interest in it and form a habit. Interest in sunday
school will likewise increase interest in church and church af-
fairs. Witness the fact that there have been three revival
meetings to date and a fourth in progress. These meetings
are reported as the most successful in years.

We're for it.

The Election Is Over

The election is over; the victors have won; the losers
lost. We congratulate the winners and to the losers—better
luck next time—some of you.

The "little boy with the big breeches" is our next gov-
ernor. Well, Jimmie, you were big enough to fill the breeches
when it came to campaigning. We hope that you will be
big enough to fill them in the governor's chair. We hope that
the people of Texas will give you the support that you will
need in carrying out the duties of your office to the best of
your ability.

Most of the state officials kept their seats while the
Democratic donkey kicked up his heels and brayed in the leg-
islative halls there will be many new faces.

We still retain all our district officers. May they take
his vote of confidence as a spur to greater endeavors.

In the county there will be some new faces but on the
whole the ins managed to show a clean pair of heels to their
opponents.

Everybody managed to vote for some of the winners
and some of the losers. Let's forget the election till year
after next.

The American Liberty League

The American Liberty League, a non-partisan organiza-
tion, according to its projectors, has been recently organized
with Jousett Shouse as president and Alfred E. Smith and
John W. Davis as directors. John W. Davis was the Demo-
cratic presidential nominee in 1924 and Al Smith the nominee
in 1928. Among prominent Republicans affiliated with the
League are former Senator James W. Wadsworth of New York
and former Governor Nathan L. Miller also of New York. The
purpose of the League will be "to defend and uphold the Con-
stitution of the United States and to gather and disseminate
information that will teach the necessity of respect for the
rights of persons and property as fundamental to every suc-
cessful form of government and will teach the duty of govern-
ment to encourage and protect individual and group initiative
and enterprise, to foster the right to work, earn, save and ac-
quire property, and to preserve the ownership and lawful use
of property when acquired."

The League is designed to enlist 4,000,000 propert-
owners and, according to the UP, to make a critical examina-
tion of the New Deal. Mr. Shouse says that the League is
designed to check tendencies of extreme radicalism. "Let us as-
sume that there should be means to check extreme radicalism,"
he said. "The President doubtless is as anxious to check it as
anybody else."

Mr. Shouse is emphatic in declaring that the movement
is not anti-Roosevelt. However, Mr. Shouse and Mr. Smith
were both factors in the stop Roosevelt movement at the
Chicago national convention when Mr. Roosevelt was nominat-
ed. In commenting on the League President Roosevelt is re-
ported by the United Press as saying that the objectives of
the league as outlined to him were axomatic-fundamental
American principles. He has no objection to that count and

consider it none of his business anyway. But he believes that
it does not go far enough to protect the rights of all the peo-
ple.

The President observed that there is no mention in the
league prospectus of Government's concern in protecting the
life and liberty of individuals against elements seeking to ad-
vance or enrich themselves at the expense of their neighbors.

The Texas Weekly says, "The peersnce of Al Smith and
John W. Davis among its founders, it seems to us, is a guaran-
tee that its objects are precisely as represented and that it
has no purpose to embarrass the administration."

Now our government is one of checks and balances
and their i salways a difference of opinion. Any action taken
by the government is usually a compromise between two divi-
sions of thought. Our founders had this in mind when the
Colonies became a Republic. Therefore if the new league is
an unbiased, non-partisian organization which offers construc-
tive criticism of the New Deal it may perform a valuable func-
tion in our scheme of checks and balances. It is true that
Al Smith and John W. Davis are conservatives whereas Presi-
dent Roosevelt is liberal but if the consevatives point out
some errors in the New Deal that should be remedied for the
best interest of the people, then their services will have been
valuable.

Special Session

The Texas Legislature is now in session for the purpose
of issuing some more "bread bonds." Of the \$20,000,000 au-
thorized by the people through a constitutional amendment,
there remains \$9,500,000.

It has been estimated that all of this amount will be
needed to see the unemployed through the winter. Whether
or not it will require this amount is the problem the Legisla-
ture is confronted with. If in their deliberations they think that
only a part of this sum is needed, then it is a part of wisdom
to issue only a part of the sum now.

The drouth has increased the unemployment and that
factor must be taken into consideration. On the other hand
prices have been steadily advancing, although not as fast as
the producers would ilke.

In order that the Legislature may act with the utmost
of discretion in the matter now before them, it would be well
for as many of the citizenship as possible to write both the
senator and representative what, in their opinioin, needs be
done.

Knox County's Part In The Centennial

By the time the most of us have heard of the Texas
Centennial and know that in 1936 our state will celebrate its
100th birthday commemorating its independence. Between now
and 1936 we will hear a great deal more about Texas; our sis-
tre states will hear a great deal more about us; teh American
continent will be aware that the greatest state of the United
States of America is holding a celebration; and the nations of
the world will have been extended a most cordial invitation to
come over and get acquainted. It will be a thing in keeping
with the magnitude of the Lone Star State.

Perhaps you are wondering just what place Knox county
will have and why her citizens should be so enthused over a
celebration to be held in one of the larger population centers.
That is the general conception of the average citizen.

But although it is true that the major celebration will
be held in one of the alrger population centers there is pro-
vided in the act of the Legislature which authorizes the Texas
Centennial of 1936 numerous secondary celebrations. There is
no limit as to the number.

The number is solely dependent upon the historical
spots that the various communities have to offer and the in-
itiative that of the citizenship in presenting these historical
spots to the millions of people that will visit Texas from all
section of the Union and from other countries.

Most of the especially in Knox County are surfaced and
make this county highways easily accessible to visitors com-
ing to the Centennial. We have high hopes that by 1936 all of
our highways will have been completed. Benjamin is the cross-
roads of highways 24 and 16. Highway 24 is the most direct
route between Dallas and the Plains. Highway 16 is the direct
route from Oklahoma to San Antonio and Corpus Cristi. Trus-
cott and Knox City are on 16. Munday and Goree are on 30,
a hardsurfaced road from Wichita Falls to Abilene which will
carry many visitors to Texas.

Because the celebration will be mainly historical it is
up to the citizens of the county to seek out the historical spots
in the county and mark them so that the visitors as well as our
own citizenship may recognize their importance with relation
to the history of Texas.

Every person and every county in the state has helped
write the history of the state and their lives and action has
had some bearing on it. Let us awaken memories that have
been dormant and keep alive the things that have made our
county what it is.

These ideas are only suggestions but that is what the
County Centennial Committee will want. On highway 24 be-
tween Vera and Benjamin is the Narrows, the divide between
the Brazos and Wichita River watersheds. The Narrows have
been used by travellers going east and west since the time of
the indian and the buffalo hunters and today a paved ribbon
of macadam follows the same route through one of the scenic
spots of West Texas. This spot should be suitably marked.

There are other historical spots equally as important
in the history of the county. Let's seek them out and mark
them.

The Klan headed by Hiram Evans has threatened to
put Huey Long out of power in Louisiana. The Kingfish has
threatened to send the Grand Wizard out of the state with his
toes turned up if he sets foot in Louisiana. West Texas has its
drouths but let us offer up thanks our situation is not tihb
bad.

What went with that newcomer who prophesied rain?

Contemporary Thought

SOME DAY, PERHAPS.

Some time, ef we ever find an opportunity, we intend
to write an editorial on the good and noble side of human life
as seen in the United States.

It will require some patience and perhaps much re-
search, as the good and noble must first be located before we
can attempt to write about them.

In the meantime life is what we find it—a conglomera-
tion of a little of everything except the things that should
be.—Rochester Reporter.

EDITORIAL TELLS OF TEXAS' GREATNESS
AND WEALTH

"A lot of times when we go to thinking about this gerat
State of ours, we cannot help but deem ourselves extremely
fortunate for residing here. Let's look over what Texas is.
Texas has rich soil, genial people, climate, pure water, four
hundred miles of sea front an dmountain ranges. Texas grows
the cotton, the wheat, the rice, the apples and oranges, the
pecans, the tomatoes, the pine, the cane and makes the sugar.
Texas has the cattle, the sheep, the goats and the hogs. It fur-
nishes the oil, the sulphur and the quicksilver. Texas has mag-
nificant highways, rail lines and great ports of entry. It is
the largest state in the Union with a history as romatic as that
of Greece. Texans worship at the shrine of liberty and praise
God for their ceration and preservation. No, there is no land
in the world more beautiful and bountiful than Texas."—Hal-
lettsville New Era-Herald.

EL PASO IN LINE FOR CELEBRATION

El Paso is in line for a secondary celebration in 1936.
This mesage was brought to a meeting of the advisory board
in that section recently by H. L. Birney, member of the Texas
Centennial Commission.

Mr. Birney said the wealth of historical background
in that section is ercognized, and is only awaiting the darwing
of plans by residents. He cited as an example Ysleta, the old-
est settlement in Texas.

At the meeting United State sSenator Tom Connally
was present and made a short address. "Few persons outside
Texas," he said, "realize the colorful history of the State. This
exposition will be of material value to Texans and of color-
ful value to those from other States, as well as to Texans."

Congressman R. E. Thomason of the El Paso district
also spoke birefly on the matter of securing federal financial
co-operation in the Centennial movement.—Centennial News.

COST OF THE NEW DEAL

The democrats and the republicans, respectively the
ins and outs, are only a matter of nearly twenty-eight billions
of dollars apart in their estimates of the cost of the New Deal
to date.

Republican adding machine sharks assert that the New
Deal has cost, in actual expenditures and obligations, the tre-
mendous sum of 28 billion dollars.

In a public address this weekn, Secretary of the Treas-
ury Wallace declared that the New Deal has cost only a half
a billion dollars.

He based hi sclaim on the government's profit of \$2-
800,000,000 in its gold revaluation scheme, \$1,600,000,00
cash balance, and more than a billion dollars realizable assets
from emergency outlays.

Both these sets of figures could not possibly be right,
and in all probability neither is anywhere near accurate. No
one knows now how the government will come out on its recov-
erable expenditures, and until the answer to that quetsion is
in the cost of the New Deal will be anybody's guess.

If the New Deal eventually results in a breaking of
the depression and the establishment of human rights, it will
be cheap at any price.—Abilene Morning News.

HIGHWAY ACCIDENTS

The increased number of automobile wrecks on the
Texas highways is good evidence that auto drivers should be
licensed by the state. Had Texas a law of this kind, reckless
drivers would be deprived of their cars. Other tsates have
learned that this method of control has lessened accidents.

Many of the accidents on the highways are caused by
carelessness on the part of the drivers and many are caused by
drivers who have never been taught traffic and highway regula-
tions. Careless and ignorant drivers should be regulated.—
Goree Advocate.

NO CHANCE FOR REFORM HERE

C. C. McDonald in a communication to this newspaper
Tuesday suggested that friends of decency got together and
supported legislation to make impossible of mudslinging and
slander in political campaigns such as we have had in Texas
for many years.

In the last campaign—we efer to no particular race
or candidates—Texas politics appear to have passed the ilimits
of mudslinging, slander and personal abuse.

It seems impossible that it could ever be as bad again
or get any worse, yet campaign after campaign we have seen
such methods practeed and go to blacker and slimie rdepths.

But there is small probability of Mr. McDonald's sug-
gestion of reform being put into legislation. We have a sus-
picion that a considerable percentage of the voters like it and
expect it. A candidate who conducts a sober, dignified cam-
paign appealing to intelligence and reason doesn't attract
much interest. It's only when he begins to get personal in his
remarks, to put on a show and appeal to prejudices and his
audiences begin to shout "pour it on" that he can feel like he
is getting anywhere.

No, there isn't much chance for the reform Mr. McDonald
suggest.—Wichita Daily Times.

CIVIL SERVICE EXAMINATIONS

The United States Civil Service Commission has announced open competitive examinations as follows:

Junior civil service examiner, \$1,620 a year, Civil Service Commission College Graduation from so-called "cultural" course, as distinguished from vocational or professional course, required; senior students admitted. Closing date, September 11, 1934.

Junior technologist (milling and baking investigations), \$2,000 to \$2,500 a year, Bureau of Plant Industry, Department of Agriculture. College graduation, with major work in cereal chemistry including at least 6 semester hours in milling and baking technology, required. Closing date, September 20, 1934.

Associate cotton technologist, \$3,200 to \$3,800, assistant cotton technologist, \$2,600 to 3,200 a year, Bureau of Agricultural Economics, Department of Agriculture. Optional subjects are (1) Yarn and fabric manufacture and (2) Fiber technology. Closing date, September 20, 1934.

The salaries named are subject to a deduction of not to exceed 5 per cent during the fiscal year ending June 30, 1935, as a measure of economy, and also to a deduction of 3 1/2 per cent toward a retirement annuity.

All states except Iowa, Vermont, Virginia, Maryland, and the District of Columbia have received less than their quota of appointments in the apportioned departmental service in Washington, D. C.

Full information may be obtained from the Secretary of the United States Civil Service Board of Examiners at the post office or customhouse in any city which has a post office of the first or the second class or from the United States Civil Service Commission, Washington, D. C.

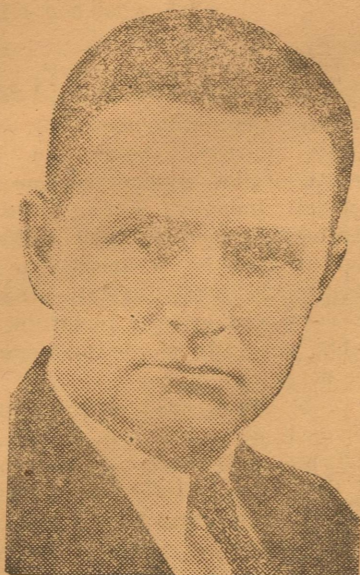
FAMED KID STARS IN FAIR REVUE AT DALLAS

Dallas, August 30.—The Hudson Wonders, most famous of all kid stars of the stage, who have just returned from a triumphant tour of Europe which extended over a period of three years, will be among the featured acts in "The Show of A Century," the musical extravaganza which has been booked as the auditorium attraction at the 1934 State Fair of Texas, October 6 to 21.

Ray and Gerry Hudson became famous several years ago and European theatrical managers began clamoring for their services, resulting in what is now a record for the longest European tour ever made by Americans. The tour took the two kid dancers and singers to England, Belgium, Holland, Sweden, Denmark, Norway, France, Germany, Italy, and North Africa. On the tour they played before the crowned heads of England, Denmark, Belgium, Sweden and the Governor of Algiers.

Several numbers in "The Show of A Century," have been built around

Next Governor



JAMES V. ALLRED

James V. Allred of Wichita Falls, young state attorney general emerged victorious Saturday over his opponent, Tom F. Hunter also of Wichita Falls in the race for governor. A spectacular and brilliant campaigner, he led by about 50,000 votes.

Keeps Seat In Senate



BEN G. ONEAL

Senator Ben G. Oneal of Wichita Falls was returned for a second term as State Senator from the 23rd district. He went into the run-off with Ruben Loftin, also of Wichita Falls. He has gone to Austin to attend the special session of the Legislature now convened there.

the two dancers, and they will also be featured in several song numbers. The dancers have been the sensation of the American stage since their return from abroad.

"The Show of a Century," will offer a variety of entertainment and will bring a cast of more than 100 people to the State Fair auditorium.

Returned To Congress



W. D. McFARLANE

W. D. McFarlane of Graham was returned for a second term to Congress from the 13th district, returns from Saturday's election show. Mr. McFarlane went into the run-off with Sam B. Spence of Wichita Falls.

Attends Special Session



GEORGE MOFFETT

George Moffett of Chillicothe was returned for a third term to the Texas Legislature from the 114th district without opposition. Mr. Moffett is attending the special session of the Legislature.

Next County Sup't



J. LYNDAL HUGHES

J. Lyndal Hughes, teacher in the Sunset Consolidated school was winner in Saturday's election over Mrs. E. F. Branton of Knox City. Hughes a native Knox County boy, is a graduate of State University. His parents live at Vera.

Ray Akin, who has been substituting in the Sunste School for J. Lyndal Hughes, has accepted a permanent position. Mr. Akin is a graduate of Texas University.

J. Lyndal Hughes left Tuesday for Gatesville for his wife and young son. He will go from there to Austin to confer with officials of the Department of Education and do research work in the University of Texas.

Miss Frances Moorhouse returned Saturday from Lubbock where she has been attending school at Texas Technological College this summer.

E. L. COVEY THANKS VOTERS FOR SUPPORT

I want to thank each and every one who voted for me last Saturday and helped me win in my race for County Judge. I especially wish to express my appreciation to all who helped me in any way during the campaign.

May I assure every citizen of Knox county that I will go into office with no wish except that I may serve you efficiently and help handle the affairs of the county to the best interest of everyone.

May I ask that I have the full cooperation of each person and every community in the county and I want to assure you that I will be ready at any and all times to work with you in any way I can for the good of your community and the entire county.

Sincerely,
E. L. COVEY.

TO THE VOTERS OF KNOX COUNTY

I wish to thank all the voters of the county for the many courtesies shown me in the campaign just closed and for the majority just closed and for the majority just closed. I take this opportunity of telling you again that I am going to do all in my power to render you honest, efficient service in this office you have elected me to.

Sincerely,
EARL SAMS.

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Our stock and fixtures. Cash required \$5,000 to \$6,000. No trades considered. Permanent lease on building if wanted.

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Mrs. P. C. Sams and Mrs. Frank Paton are visiting relatives in Lubbock this week.

SAM B. SPENCE ISSUES STATEMENT OF APPRECIATION

District Attorney Sam B. Spence Monday issued a statement of appreciation to the voters of the 13th district who supported him in his race for Congress. The statement follows:

"I wish to take this method of thanking those persons who supported me and I regret that I cannot thank each one of them personally. The support and confidence of my friends will always be my proudest possession."

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REDUCED RAILROAD FARES

The railroads have decided to extend until September 30, 1935, the present low passenger fares, based on three cents per mile for first class tickets, and two cents per mile for coach travel, according to announcement made by Mr. T. B. Gallaher, General Passenger Agent, Santa Fe Lines, Amarillo, Texas.

Round trip first class tickets cost two cents per mile traveled when the limit is ten days, or two and one half cents per mile traveled when the limit is six months. The round trip coach tickets with limit of ten days in addition to date of sale, cost but one and eight tenths cents per mile, a most remarkable fare for individual travel. These rates are not applicable to points in territory east of Chicago and St. Louis, however, through passengers are given benefit of the low fares up to these points.

Convention travel, is accorded, when reduced fares are arranged for specific meetings, rates based on one and one third of the first class fare, which nets two cents per mile traveled in western or southwestern territory, but slightly higher to Chicago and St. Louis.

It is reported that these low fares are appealing to the traveling public causing many people formerly using private autos, to again travel by rail.

Mr. and Mrs. C. W. Harbert and son, C. W. Jr. of Cloudford, N. M. are visiting here this week.

CARD OF THANKS

We wish to express our sincere appreciation of the kindly interest and aid given our parents and grandparents, Mr. and Mrs M. F. Harbert during his illness. It was a great consolation to know they would be properly cared for by their friends and neighbors until our arrival.

God Bless you.
Mrs. T. B. Ward
Joe A. Ward and family
Harbert Ward
Horton Ward
Mrs. Avanelle Ward Olson

NOTICE TO CREDITORS

Notice to Creditors of the Estate of Hollis W. McGuire, Deceased:

Notice is hereby given that original letters of administration upon the Estate of Hollis W. McGuire, deceased, were granted to me, the undersigned, on the 30th. day of July, A. D. 1934, by the County Court of Knox County, Texas. All persons having claims against the said estate will be required to present the same to me within the time prescribed by law. My residence and postoffice address is Gilliland, County of Knox, Texas.

Fred B. McGuire,
Administrator of the Estate of
Hollis W. McGuire, Deceased

Mr. and Mrs. Deaton Moorhouse and son, Deaton Jr., have been visiting in the home of Mr. and Mrs. Chas Moorhouse this week.

PLAN AID IN FEED SHORTAGE SITUATION

College Station, Aug. 30.—Every available help that the agencies of A and M College can give to aid the State in the existing feed shortage will be made immediately available according to plans made here. To this end a meeting was held in the Experiment Station conference room presided over by A. B. Conner, director, at which various phases of the situation were presented by members of the Experiment Station, the Extension Service and the College teaching staff.

With this pooling of information it was decided to line up and get before the public facts relating to the problem in the order of their immediate importance. The conservation of hay and other roughage now standing in the fields, will be treated by C. N. Shepardson, in charge of dairy husbandry. Cotton plants and burs as feed, Dr. G. S. Fraps, State Chemist will work on. Fall forage planting in South Texas and small winter grains for grazing will be handled by Dr. P. C. Mangelsdorf, agronomist. Fall forage for the central section of the State and legumes for winter planting were assigned to E. A. Miller, Extension agronomist. And fertilizer for pasture crops in East Texas was given to E. B. Reynolds, agronomist.

It was agreed that every existing particle of feed should be taken care of and used, and that when rains come planting should begin at once for winter grazing. Straw from threshed grain is, in the light of present scarcity, a much more important, feed than is usual, it was stated. And much stunted grain sorghum and corn exists that ordinarily it would not be economical to harvest, but which under existing circumstances it would pay farmers to put in a trench silo and feed.

From other state it was reported that farmers were cutting and stacking wild cane, cat tails, bulrushes and weeds a sort of "succotash" for their cattle, while Russian thistle, or tumble weed, is also being stacked for roughage next winter.

CATTLE POPULATION OF TEXAS TO BE REDUCED TO 2,000,000 HEAD

Austin, August 30.—Representatives of the Texas Southwest Cattle Raisers' association, the Gulf Coast Cattle Raisers' Association, the drouth relief service, Bureau of Animal Industry, State Livestock Sanitary Commission and railroads met at Houston Wednesday to cooperate the cattle buying program in Texas and attempt to inform the public generally of the problems of the program.

C. Z. Crain, head of the surplus commodities department and R. D. McCrum, cattle movement supervisor of the Texas Relief Commission, attended the meeting from Austin.

Explaining the county quota basis Crain said it was necessary to limit the shipments from each county to 450 head per week in order to avoid congestion at pens and processing plants. He explained that the processing plants can handle only about 70,000 head of cattle per day at capacity. At the same time, Crain said he had been assured from Washington that the buying program will be continued "until the emergency has been met."

To farmers and ranchmen whose herds have not yet been reached Crain declared that the program will continue until every cattle raiser has had a chance to sell the animals he wishes to cull from his herd.

As a result of the government's program, the cattle population of Texas, estimated at near 7,000,000, is expected to be reduced by approximately 2,000,000. Already, some 600,000 head have been shipped from the state.

Under the quota arrangement, the most acute cases of distressed cattle are to be handled first, Crain said. In addition to the 450 head for shipping purposes, condemnations of cows unfit for shipment will bring the total sales per county per week up to approximately 650 head. One visit to a pasture doesn't necessarily mean that it is the last. After animals hardest hit by the drouth have been eliminated, federal agents may return to buy other undesirable

animals, and further reduce the surplus.

Crain again asked cattle owners to bear in mind that field representatives are working just as fast as quotas will allow them and that every effort will be made to reach all distressed herds.

CITATION BY PUBLICATION

THE STATE OF TEXAS

To the Sheriff or any Constable of Knox County—GREETING:

You are hereby commanded to summon R. K. Gaylor by making publication of this Citation once in each for four consecutive weeks previous to the return day hereof, in some newspaper published in your County, if there be a newspaper published therein, but if not, then in any newspaper published in the 50th Judicial District; to appear at the next regular term of the District Court of Knox County, Texas, to be held at the Court House thereof, in Benjamin, Texas on the 2nd Monday in October A. D. 1934, the same being the 8th day of October A. D. 1934, then and there to answer a petition filed in said Court on the 24th day of August A. D. 1934, in a suit numbered on the docket of said Court, No. 2489, wherein Ozelle Gaylor, is Plaintiff and R. K. Gaylor is Defendant; the nature of plaintiff's demand being as follows:

Suit for divorce, costs of suit, and for the care, custody and control of a minor child, namely Wynelle Gaylor, plaintiff alleging cruel treatment and non-support, which is more fully set forth in the plaintiff's original petition, which is now on file in this office an dto which reference is here made.

Herein Fail Not, But have you before said Court, on the first day of the next term thereof, this Writ, with your return thereon, showing how you have executed the same.

Witness My Hand and Official Seal At my office in Benjamin, Texas, this 24th day of August, A. D. 1934.

Mrs. Rowena Phillips,
Clerk, District Court, Knox County, Texas.
(SEAL)

CARE OF TEETH IMPORTANT TO GENERAL HEALTH

Austin, August 30.—A fact that is not generally understood, according to Dr. John W. Borwn, is that diseased teeth frequently may be associated with disease manifestations in other parts of the body. The interrelation and inter-dependence of the various parts which comprise this miraculous bodily mechanism are so sensitive that in many instances when matters go amiss, not only is the location of the infection affected but other parts become involved also.

Thus diseased teeth or gums may directly develop an infection of the nose, eye, head sinuses, the stomach and even the intestinal tract. Again, germs from a diseased mouth may be transported by the blood stream to the kidneys or heart, thus causing serious trouble frequently ending fatally. Even such extremely painful and tenacious conditions as neuritis and arthritis can often be directly traced to infections in and around the teeth.

The man or woman who respects health as the greatest of all earthly assets will do well to heed the ordinary principles of mouth hygiene; being conscientiously adhered to, they can be relied upon to protect against the conditions that take such a tremendous and unnecessary toll.

Thoroughly to cleanse the teeth by toothbrush and dental floss, and religiously to seek a periodic dental examination at least semi-annually, oftener if required, is merely practicing a common sense procedure which returns incalculable dividends.

Mrs. T. B. Ward returned Sunday of this week from an extended visit in Los Angeles, California. Harbert Ward and children, Eugene and Anna Marie, and Mrs. Avanelle Olson all of Los Angeles and Horton Ward of Boulder City, Nevada, returned with her for a short visit their grandparents, Mr. and Mrs. M. F. Harbert.

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